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Date: February 16, 2006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of	)	
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ABRAHAM R. DE KRAKER	)	
STEVEN A. HOLMES	)	
and KRISHNA R. KAUSHIK	)	Group Art Unit: 1621
	)	
Serial No. 10/824,785	)	Examiner: Paul A Zucker
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Filed April 15, 2004	)	February 16, 2006
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PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF	)	
ESSENTIALLY CHLORIDE-FREE	)	
CALCIUM SULFONATE	)	
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Sir:

### AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of August 18, 2005 the following amendments are submitted. Consideration of this application in light of these amendments is respectfully requested.

***Claims 1-30 are pending in the application.***

***Claims 5, 22, 23 and 25 are drawn to allowable subject matter but are objected to.***

***Claims 1-4, 6-21, 24 and 26-30 have been rejected.***

***Please cancel claims 2, 5 and 22 without prejudice and without disclaimer.***

***Please amend claims 1, 15, 16, 21 and 23 as shown below:***